IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPLAINT

OF CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS, LLC

(t/a BEN FRANKLIN YACHT), AS : CIVIL ACTION NO. 14-214

OWNER OF THE VESSEL BEN

FRANKLIN YACHT FOR :

EXONERATION FROM OR LIMITATION

OF LIABILITY

**ORDER** 

**AND NOW**, this 30<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2016, the court having *sua sponte* raised an issue

with subject-matter jurisdiction (Doc. No. 92); and after reviewing the parties' submissions on

this issue (Doc. Nos. 94-95, 97); and after reviewing the record developed through summary

judgment motion practice; and after hearing argument from the parties on March 9, 2016;

accordingly, and for the reasons stated in the accompanying memorandum opinion, it is hereby

**ORDERED** as follows:

1. This action is **DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE** for lack of subject-matter

jurisdiction;

2. All outstanding motions (Doc. Nos. 61, 67) are **DENIED AS MOOT**;

3. Insofar as the court has stayed various state court actions involving the dispute

underlying this limitation proceeding, those stays are LIFTED; and

4. The clerk of court is **DIRECTED** to mark this matter as **CLOSED**.

BY THE COURT:

/s/ Edward G. Smith

EDWARD G. SMITH, J.